



GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION

DEAN SHELTON, CHAIRMAN
STEPHANIE SHIMAZU
ALEXANDRA VUKSICH

2399 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 220
Sacramento, CA 95833-4231
(916) 263-0700 Phone
(916) 263-0499 Fax
www.cgcc.ca.gov

August 4, 2009

The California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) will hold another public workshop on August 20, 2009, to discuss possible regulations to address the reopening of closed cardrooms.

Two previous Commission workshops have been held in recent months – the first on May 15, 2009, and the second on June 23, 2009. The May 15 workshop considered an option that would have limited the ability to open a closed cardroom (one that had a licensed owner as of December 31, 1999, or whose owner had an application on file with the Department of Justice prior to September 1, 2000) to the last licensed owner of the cardroom. The June 23 workshop considered an option that would have allowed any interested person, with the approval of the local governing body, to apply for a state gambling license to operate a closed cardroom.

The workshop scheduled for August 20, 2009, will take a broader view. Rather than focusing on one possible policy to address closed cardrooms under the moratorium provisions of the Gambling Control Act, the Commission will review and discuss six possible policy options that staff has identified. The possible options are attached.

Written comments regarding the different options will be accepted up to and at the workshop. All comments received by August 13, 2009, will be summarized and Commission staff will prepare recommended responses prior to the workshop. Please note that all written comments will be made publically available. In addition, the Commission will hold a public discussion at the workshop in order to receive oral comments.

Please send written comments (hard copy, email, or fax) to:

Shannon George
Regulatory Actions Unit
California Gambling Control Commission
2399 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 220
Sacramento, CA 95833

sgeorge2@cgcc.ca.gov

Fax: (916) 263-0499

Thank you for your assistance during this process. The Commission appreciates the input from members of the industry and the public as we develop a formal policy and course of action regarding closed cardrooms.